



Sahitya Akademi Award 2024

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The [Sahitya Akademi Awards 2024](#) have announced **22 winners**, with **Bengali and Urdu awards pending**, bringing the total to **24**.

- **About:** The Sahitya Akademi Awards honor exceptional **literary contributions** in categories like **novels, poetry, essays, and plays**.
 - It is the **2nd-highest literary honor** in India, after the [Jnanpith Award](#).
 - It was established in **1954** as an autonomous body under the **Ministry of Culture**.
- **Eligibility: Award categories** include works in **22 languages** of the [Eighth Schedule](#), along with **English** and **Rajasthani (total: 24 languages)**, and **translations** of Indian literary works.
 - The author must be an **Indian citizen**.
- **Other Sahitya Akademi Awards:** [Bal Sahitya Puraskar](#) for children's literature and **Yuva Puraskar** for works by authors under the age of **35**.
- **Other Initiatives:** The Akademi also runs programs like **Gramalok** (for remote writers) and **Dalit Chetna** (for Dalit writers).

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